

PROCLAMATION

GEORGETOWN CELEBRATION DAY

- WHEREAS,** Georgetown was the first settlement in King County, incorporated in 1851; and
- WHEREAS,** Georgetown has long been a vibrant, lively neighborhood, with a great residential area, a wide variety of commercial businesses, and an important manufacturing community; and
- WHEREAS,** Georgetown is also home to Seattle's first race track, first railroad, and first powered airplane flight; and
- WHEREAS,** at its peak Georgetown sustained five grocery stores, a local school, a movie theater, and countless saloons; and
- WHEREAS,** the pioneering spirit of Georgetown has sustained the community through hard times and many twists and turns in the character and nature of its development; and
- WHEREAS,** after World War II the very existence of the neighborhood was threatened by the loss of much of the neighborhood's housing stock and the continued growth of industry; and
- WHEREAS,** Georgetown residents persisted and have become a shining example of perseverance and determination and have led Seattle in fighting for quality of life issues such as clean air, clean water, and waste reduction; and
- WHEREAS,** on March 29, 1910, according to the *The Georgetown Story*, "The Election Day was clear and mild. Beautiful weather, combined with all the saloons closed, was bringing out the voters in a steady stream. More than 80% of the votes cast early in the day favored annexation, and anti-annexationists were reportedly throwing up their hands and scrambling to get on the bandwagon. Annexationists were reported to have \$600 ready to wager on the result, but could not find a better";
- WHEREAS,** *The Georgetown Story* further reports that "When the polls closed at 8pm, 389 votes were for annexation, 238 against. When the votes were tallied and announced, the brewery whistle blew, many voters came out on the streets to rejoice."; and
- WHEREAS,** Georgetown therefore became the last small municipality annexed to Seattle; and
- WHEREAS,** this year marks 100 years that the neighborhood has been a part of Seattle, and the people of Georgetown and the rest of Seattle look forward to continued mutual partnering for the next 100 years.
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Now, therefore,

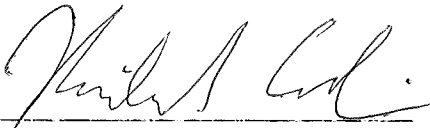
in honor of the 100th anniversary of the annexation of Georgetown to Seattle,

The Seattle City Council proclaims

Monday, March 29, 2010, as

Georgetown Celebration Day

in the City of Seattle, and call on all of our residents to honor and celebrate this remarkable community.



Council President Richard Conlin



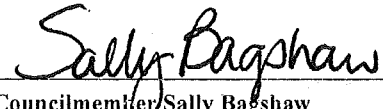
Councilmember Tim Burgess



Councilmember Jean Godden



Councilmember Nick Licata



Councilmember Sally Bagshaw



Councilmember Sally J. Clark



Councilmember Bruce A. Harrell



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